

## Requirements of the OIP...cont.

- ♦ Approval or denial of agricultural commodities/plant material is based upon pest risk assessment of those commodities regulated by state and federal quarantines published in the PQM.  
[pi.cdfa.ca.gov/pqm/manual/html\\_pqm\\_index.htm#exterior](http://pi.cdfa.ca.gov/pqm/manual/html_pqm_index.htm#exterior)
- ♦ Changes to the approved list are limited to one request per quarter.
- ♦ The shipper must comply with all record keeping and labeling and markings requirements as outlined in the agreement.
- ♦ Inspections may be conducted at the discretion of the Agricultural Commissioners or CDFA at destination to verify compliance with this program.
- ♦ Violation of any conditions of the agreement will result in suspension or revocation of the agreement.
- ♦ Detection of pests in shipments authorized by this agreement will result in rejection and possible destruction of the agricultural commodities/plant material in violation, and/or suspension or revocation of this agreement.

As part of the OIP, you will  
receive an official stamp  
with a unique  
identification number



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## Origin Inspection Program (OIP)



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## What is the OIP?

- The OIP provides inspection and clearance of low risk agricultural commodities/plant material (domestic and foreign) from a producer/shipper by the origin/shipping state department of agriculture.
- The OIP is designed for the movement of low risk agricultural commodities/plant material from other states into California (interstate shipments).
- Agricultural commodities/plant material covered under the OIP may include fruits and vegetables, cut flowers and cut greens, bulbs, grass sod, seeds and nursery stock.
- The OIP is a three-party agreement among the shipping state, the commercial producer/shipper and California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA).



## Benefits of the OIP

- Pest risk mitigation is implemented at origin.
- Reduces destination inspection workload.
- Facilitates timely delivery of shipments without increasing the risk for introduction of invasive pests into California.
- Enhances orderly marketing of agricultural commodities/plant material.
- Allows producer/shipper to self execute their compliance agreement.
- Enhances orderly marketing of agricultural commodities and plant material.



## Authority

**FAC 6404:** Allows the creation of compliance agreements with other state agencies. Creates the opportunity to establish the OIP program and release commodities without inspection upon arrival in CA.

## Requirements of the OIP

- Administration—Shipping State: state agency administers the program locally (monitoring the operations of the shipper to assure compliance). Receiving State: CDFA administers the program from afar (i.e., monitoring, reporting of any deviations, and taking corrective actions).
- Commitment—The OIP requires commitment of all the parties involved (shipping state agency, producer/shipper and CDFA) to maintain the effectiveness of the program.
- Selection—Shippers wishing to participate in the OIP should, at a minimum, meet certain criteria (i.e., good shipping record; approved commodities shipped; production/shipping area pest management; etc.).  
Program participants are held to a higher standard of pest free-shipments/quarantine compliance than other shippers.
- Other—
  - ◇ Only approved agricultural commodities/plant material is eligible for shipment under the OIP.
  - ◇ The list of approved agricultural commodities/plant material is published in the CDFA Plant Quarantine Manual (PQM).